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**PATENT APPLICATION  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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Martin E. FERMAN, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/576,772

Group Art Unit: 2828

Confirmation No.: 4224

Examiner: James A. MENEFFEE

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For: MODULAR, HIGH ENERGY, WIDELY-TUNABLE ULTRAFast FIBER SOURCE

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of May 5, 2004 to September 5, 2004.

Please charge the statutory fee of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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